

# Calling Watson from RPG



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*"Artificial intelligence is about replacing human decision making with more sophisticated techniques"*

## The Agenda



*Agenda for this session:*



1. What Is Watson?
2. How Do I Use It?
  - The gist of using it
  - Where to find info
  - Scott's examples
3. Watson Examples from RPG
  - Translation
  - Image Recognition

# What is Watson?



- IBM's "cognitive" platform
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Understand things normally understood only by humans
- Originally played "Jeopardy!"
- Set up and customize for your needs.

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# Available Two Ways



Watson runs on POWER hardware.

- but, software requires IBM's own Watson (linux-based) platform
- Set up by IBM Watson experts

1. Some big companies have set up Watson on-site

- (working with IBM experts)

2. Anyone can utilize it via IBM Cloud (formerly: Bluemix)

- this is the only way I've had the opportunity to try it.

IBM Cloud is a platform as a service (PaaS) that:

- Provides Software as a Service (SaaS)
- Provides a Web Service API (often just called "API")
- You can run it from any application that can do web service calls
- Available for free or very low cost.
- Pay more if your usage is higher.

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## ***Services/SaaS Available***



<https://www.ibm.com/watson/products-services/>

- Conversation: build chat bots
- Discovery: Discover hidden value in data
- Vision: Search visual content with machine learning
- Speech: Convert audio to/from written text
- Language: Understand written human language
- Empathy: Understand tone and personality of language

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## ***Taking a Tour of the Web Site***



Home Page for Watson:

<https://www.ibm.com/watson/>

The Products/Services Available (i.e. interesting part)

<https://www.ibm.com/watson/products-services/>

Signing Up for IBM Cloud (free)

<https://www.ibm.com/cloud-computing/bluemix/watson>

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# Inside Your IBM Cloud Account



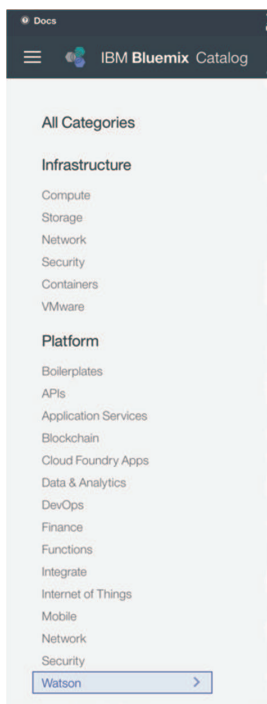
<https://console.bluemix.net/catalog>

<https://console.bluemix.net/dashboard/apps>

- IBM Cloud has other (non-Watson) APIs as well
- You can set up a given service to run in your account
- You can read about the APIs, see docs and demos as well
- This is what your RPG programs will actually connect to
- This is what you can use directly.
- Dashboard/apps shows what you currently have set up

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# Watson Docs / Examples



To read about the different services:

- Go to the **catalog** link
- In the categories (on the left) click **Watson**

The next page shows what you can "create"

- **"create"** because you set up your own copy
- On your own (cloud-based) server

If you click one

- Option to **create** it
- Option to **view docs**
- Sometimes there's a **demo** available
- **Pricing** plan(s)

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# Create a Service on your IBM Cloud



These are the fields you'll need to provide. (You can usually just take the defaults.)

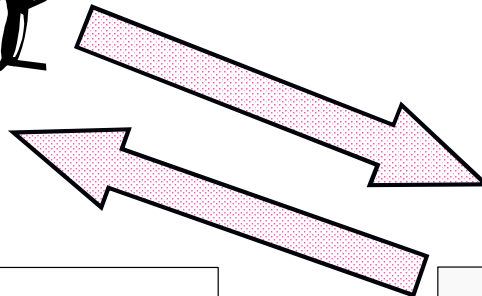
- **Service Name** = Unique name for your newly created service. IBM Cloud will generate a name, but you can change it to whatever you like.
- **Credential Name** = Name of credentials (userid/password – or API key and password) needed to use the service. You can create a new one or use an existing one. You can create multiple if you'll have multiple people that should not share.
- **Region to deploy in** = Which IBM Cloud server location. Pick the one closest to you for best performance.
- **Organization** = Your organization.
- **Choose a space** = Space you set up when you signed up
- **Connect to** = Not sure, I always take the default!

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# How Does an API Work?



```
model_id = en-es  
text = Hello
```

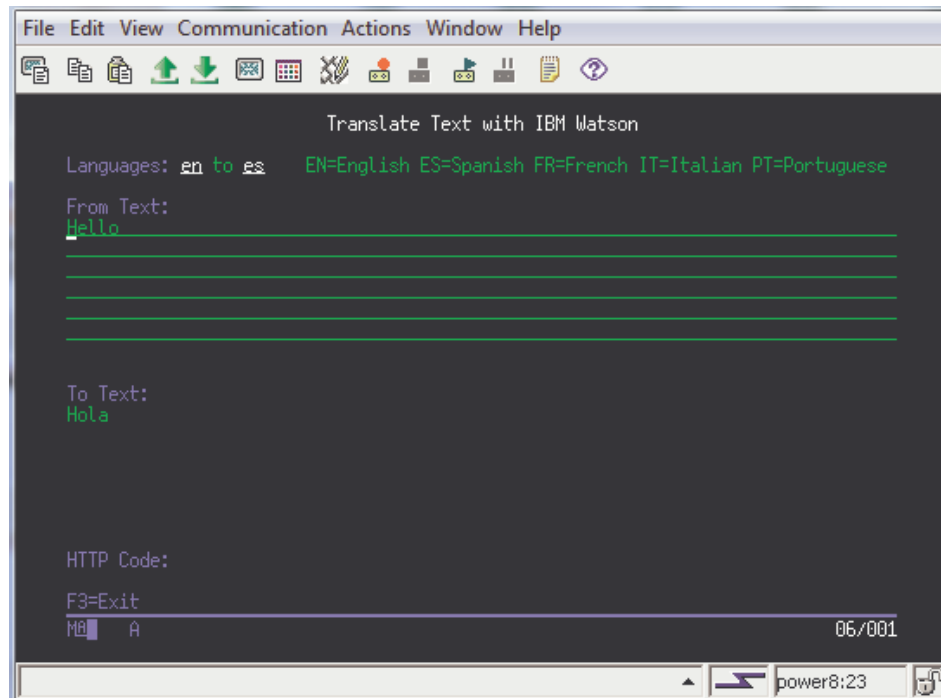


```
Hola
```



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# Lets Do it In RPG!



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# The Process in RPG



*The process is basically the same!*

- Show screen
- Get data from the screen and build strings
- Use HTTPAPI (or another HTTP tool) to send and receive
- Put the response string on the screen

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## Watson Docs – Use Curl



Docs are available for Curl, Node.js, Java and Python (but not RPG!)  
*Curl is the closest to plain HTTP, and easy to adapt to HTTPAPI*

```
Curl Node Java Python
GET /v2/translate
POST /v2/translate

Example GET request

curl -u "{username}":"{password}" \
  "https://gateway.watsonplatform.net/language-translator/api/v2/t
  ranslate?source=en&target=es&text=hello"
```

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## Watson Docs – Use Curl



Curl is:

- command-line tool for HTTP and many other network protocols
- freely available (open source)
- most commonly found on Linux
- but, can run on IBM i in PASE (AIX version)
- or on Windows, Mac OS, Linux, FreeBSD, etc.

The Curl Home Page:

<https://curl.haxx.se>

The Curl Manual (to understand what the options do):

<https://curl.haxx.se/docs/manpage.html>

*You will mainly use curl to test out and understand the Watson services, but will adapt them to HTTPAPI (or another HTTP tool for RPG) for production use. **For that reason, I recommend running it on your PC.***

*Or, use the Watson API Explorer (next slide)*

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# Watson API Explorer



The API Explorer (*links are in API docs*) provides a Web-based curl interface

Watson API Explorer

## Language Translator

Language Translator translates text from one language to another. The service offers multiple domain-specific models that you can customize based on your unique terminology and language. Use Language Translator to take news from across the globe and present it in your language, communicate with your customers in their own language, and more.

### models

Show/Hide | List Operations | Expand Operations

GET	/v2/models	Lists available standard and custom models by source or target language
POST	/v2/models	Uploads a TMX glossary file on top of a domain to customize a translation model
DELETE	/v2/models/{model_id}	Deletes a custom translation model
GET	/v2/models/{model_id}	Get information about the given translation model, including training status.

### translate

Show/Hide | List Operations | Expand Operations

GET	/v2/translate	Translates the input text from the source language to the target language
POST	/v2/translate	Translates the input text from the source language to the target language

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# About HTTPAPI



- HTTPAPI lets you make HTTP calls from RPG
- by Scott Klement, started in 2001 – but please use the latest!
- freely available (open source) at no charge
- very versatile
- very fast

Main routines that we want to use:

- `http_req` = routine for making an HTTP request (i.e. calling a URL)
- `http_stmf` = implied version of `http_req` when data sent/received is an IFS file
- `http_string` = simplified version of `http_req` when data send/received is in strings

Other routines that complement the main ones:

- `http_setOption` = sets various options to control how HTTPAPI works
- `http_setAuth` = sets userid/password used by the HTTP protocol
- `http_debug` = generates a file in the IFS with diagnostic information
- `http_error` = retrieves the last error that occurred in an HTTPAPI routine

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# Adapting Curl to HTTPAPI



CURL OPTION	HTTPAPI Option
-X or --request with POST or GET	“type” parameter = POST or GET
No -X or --request specified	“type” parameter = GET
-u or --user with “user:pass”	Use HTTP_setAuth(HTTP_AUTH_BASIC: ‘user’: ‘pass’)
-H or --header with “content-type”	“contentType” parameter
-H or --header but not content-type	Use HTTP_xproc(HTTP_POINT_ADDDL_HEADER) <i>See Translation with JSON example.</i>
-d or --data	SendStr or SendStmf parameter
-F or --form	SendStr or SendStmf encoded with “multipart/form-data” (MFD) <i>See Visual Recognition Example</i>
Use of @ to get from file	Use http_req or http_stmf with SendStmf parameter
URL parameter	URL parameter
Output	Use Response or Result Stmf/String parameters Or return value from http_string() API.

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# Translate in RPG (Simple)



http\_string() is an HTTP API routine to send/receive using character strings

full code sample can be downloaded from Scott's web site (link at end)

```
http_setAuth( HTTP_AUTH_BASIC
              : 'api key from Watson API credentials'
              : 'password from Watson API credentials' );

url = 'https://gateway.watsonplatform.net'
      + '/language-translator/api/v2/translate'
      + '?model_id=' + http_urlEncode(fromLang + '-' + toLang)
      + '&text=' + http_urlEncode(%trimr(fromText));

monitor;
  resp = http_string('GET': url);
on-error;
  httpcode = http_error();
endmon;
```

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# Even Better, Use JSON



Instead of the "simple" (plain text) format we've used so far, I recommend JSON

- Much more **versatile**
- Many of the APIs **require** it
- Works with POST methods, allowing much larger data to be passed

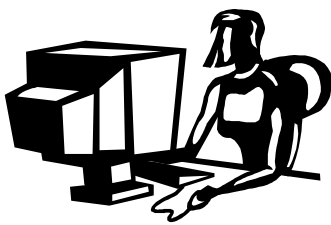
It is a little more work to process JSON in RPG vs plain text.

- the **YAJL tool** helps a lot
- YAJL is extremely **fast**

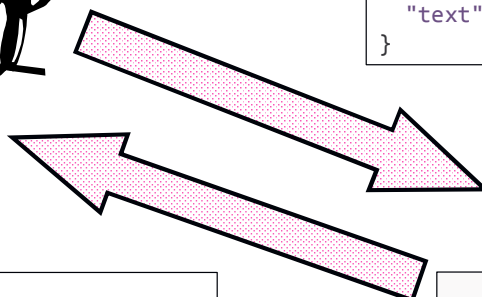
JSON looks like this:

```
{
  "model_id": "en-es",
  "text": "Hello"
}
```

# Overview With JSON



```
{
  "source": "en",
  "target": "es",
  "text": "Hello"
}
```



```
{
  "translations": [{
    "translation": "Hola"
  }],
  "word_count": 1,
  "character_count": 5
}
```



## Generating JSON with YAJL



```
ya_jl_genOpen(*off);
ya_jl_beginObj();           // {
ya_jl_addChar('source': fromLang); // "source": "en",
ya_jl_addChar('target': toLang);  // "target": "es",
ya_jl_addChar('text': fromText ); // "text": "Hello"
ya_jl_endObj();             // }

request = ya_jl_copyBufStr();
ya_jl_genClose();
```

Very quick introduction to the YAJL tools for generating JSON documents:

- `ya_jl_genOpen` / `ya_jl_genClose` start/stop the JSON generator
- `ya_jl_beginObj` / `ya_jl_endObj` create a JSON object (the stuff in curly braces)
- `ya_jl_addChar` adds a character string to the open object
- `ya_jl_addNum`, `ya_jl_addBool`, `ya_jl_beginArray`, `ya_jl_endArray` also available
- `ya_jl_copyBufStr` copies the generated JSON buffer to an RPG string

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## Reading JSON with YAJL



```
docNode = ya_jl_string_load_tree(response: errMsg);
if errMsg = '';
    node = ya_jl_object_find(docNode: 'translations');
    node = ya_jl_array_elem(node: 1);
    node = ya_jl_object_find(node: 'translation');
    output = ya_jl_get_string(node);
    ya_jl_tree_free(docNode);
endif;
```

Very quick introduction to the YAJL tools for reading JSON documents:

- `ya_jl_string_load_tree` loads the whole JSON document into memory and returns the "document node" (pointer to outermost JSON element)
- `ya_jl_object_find` given a pointer to an object, finds a subfield in that object
- `ya_jl_array_elem` given a pointer to an array, finds an element in that array
- `ya_jl_get_string` given a pointer to a string, returns the string value
- `ya_jl_get_number`, `ya_jl_is_true`, `ya_jl_is_false` can be used for other data types
- `ya_jl_tree_free` removes the JSON document from memory

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# Media Types (aka MIME types)



Various internet protocols use media types (also called "MIME" types) to identify the data type of something.

- `text/plain` = a plain text document
- `application/json` = a JSON document
- `image/jpeg` = a .JPG image or picture
- etc.

These HTTP headers can be used with the Language Translator to tell Watson we want to send/receive JSON documents instead of plain text.

- `content-type` header = the type of the document we're sending
- `accept header` = the type of the document we want to receive back

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# Media Types in Curl



This example (from the Watson docs) shows how to use JSON by specifying the appropriate media types:

```
curl -u "{username}":"{password}"
  -X POST
  -H "Content-Type: application/json"
  -H "Accept: application/json"
  -d '{"text":"Hello","source":"en","target":"es"}'
  "https://gateway.watsonplatform.net/language-translator/api/v2/translate"
```

Most of this is pretty easy to do in HTTPAPI as well.

- `-u` is simply passed to `http_setAuth` (like before)
- `-X` is the first parameter to `http_req`, `http_string` or `http_stmf`
- `-d` is the send data, and should be placed in the appropriate send parameter
- HTTPAPI also has a parameter for content-type, same as `-H Content-Type`
- `Accept` however is a bit trickier since HTTPAPI does not have a parameter for the (infrequently used) `Accept` header.
- You can use `http_xproc` ("exit procedure") to customize HTTPAPI's behavior
- The `HTTP_POINT_ADDL_HEADER` option lets you call a subprocedure that can (manually) add any additional HTTP header you wish.

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# Media Types in HTTPAPI



Here I wrote a subprocedure called AddAccept that manually adds the Accept header, and registered it with http\_xproc. When http\_string() runs, it will call my procedure, and add this new header.

```
http_xproc( HTTP_POINT_ADDDL_HEADER: %paddr(AddAccept));

response = http_string('POST': url: request: 'application/json');
.
.
dcl-proc AddAccept;

  dcl-pi *n;
    header varchar(32767);
  end-pi;
  dcl-c CRLF x'0d25';

  header = 'Accept: application/json' + CRLF;

end-proc;
```

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# Translate with JSON (1 of 6)



To put all of these concepts together, here's the full RPG code for the translate example, using JSON rather than plain text.

```
**free
ctl-opt option(*srcstmt) dftactGrp(*no)
      bnmdir('HTTPAPI':'YAJL');

/copy httpapi_h
/copy yajl_h

dcl-f WATSONTR1D workstn indds(dspf);

dcl-Ds dspf qualified;
      F3Exit ind pos(3);
end-Ds;

dcl-c UPPER 'ENESFRITPT';
dcl-c lower 'enesfritpt';

fromLang = 'en';
toLang   = 'es';
```

BNDDIR is used to bind your program to the tools

Copybooks contain the definitions we'll need to call the HTTPAPI and YAJL routines

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## Translate with JSON (2 of 6)



Main loop controls the flow of the program, repeating the screen until F3 key is pressed.

```
do dspf.F3Exit = *on;

  exfmt screen1;
  if dspf.F3exit = *on;
    leave;
  endif;

  fromLang = %xlate(UPPER:lower:fromLang);
  toLang = %xlate(UPPER:lower:toLang);
  toText = translate( fromLang: toLang: %trim(fromText) );

enddo;

*inlr = *on;
return;
```

the translate procedure is what actually calls Watson

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## Translate with JSON (3 of 6)



```
dcl-proc translate;

  dcl-pi *n varchar(1000);
    fromLang char(2)      const;
    toLang char(2)        const;
    fromText varchar(1000) const;
  end-pi;

  dcl-s url          varchar(2000);
  dcl-s request      varchar(2000);
  dcl-s response     varchar(5000);
  dcl-s output       varchar(1000);
  dcl-s errMsg      varchar(500);
  dcl-s docNode      like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s node         like(yajl_val);

  yajl_genOpen(*off);
  yajl_beginObj();
  yajl_addChar('source': fromLang); // {
  yajl_addChar('target': toLang);  //  "source": "en",
  yajl_addChar('text': fromText ); //  "target": "fr",
  yajl_endObj();                  //  "text": "String here"
  // }

  request = yajl_copyBufStr();
  yajl_genClose();
```

Generate the JSON document and send

Put the JSON data into a variable named "request"

## Translate with JSON (4 of 6)



```
http_debug(*on: '/tmp/watson-diagnostic-log.txt');

http_setOption('local-ccsid': '0');
http_setOption('network-ccsid': '1208');

http_xproc( HTTP_POINT_ADDL_HEADER: %paddr(AddAccept));

http_setAuth( HTTP_AUTH_BASIC: 'the-credential': 'the-password' );

url = 'https://gateway.watsonplatform.net'
    + '/language-translator/api/v2/translate';

monitor;
    response = http_string('POST': url: request: 'application/json');
on-error;
    httpcode = http_error();
endmon;
```

Translate our job's  
EBCDIC to UTF-8  
(standard for web)

http\_string will send the "request"  
variable we made, and receive  
Watson's output into "response"

If an error occurs, we'll put the error  
information into the "httpcode" variable  
that will be shown on the screen

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## Translate with JSON (5 of 6)



```
docNode = yajl_string_load_tree(response: errMsg);
if errMsg = '';
    node = yajl_object_find(docNode: 'translations');
    node = yajl_array_elem(node: 1);
    node = yajl_object_find(node: 'translation');
    output = yajl_get_string(node);
    yajl_tree_free(docNode);
endif;

return output;

end-Proc;
```

```
{
  "translations": [{
    "translation": "Hola"
  }],
  "word_count": 1,
  "character_count": 5
}
```

We first get the "translations" subfield of the document, which is itself an array of objects. We'll take the first array element, and get its "translation" subfield, and then get a string from that.

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## Translate with JSON (6 of 6)



All that's left is the AddAccept subprocedure (that I showed you several slides back)

```
dcl-proc AddAccept;

  dcl-pi *n;
    header varchar(32767);
  end-pi;
  dcl-c CRLF x'0d25';

  header = 'Accept: application/json' + CRLF;

end-proc;
```

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## Got the Idea?



You now know the basics of how to call the Watson services from RPG.

- Find the service you want
- Create it
- Read the documentation for that service
- Use "curl" examples
- Adapt the "curl" examples to HTTPAPI

Following the same techniques will allow you to call any of Watson's services!

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# Example of Finding Approved Vendors



This Example uses Watson's *Natural Language Understanding* API

- Loop through a table (PF) with approved vendor's web sites
- Ask Watson to analyze them and find keywords on their site
- Put the keywords in a file
- Allow the user to query the file by keyword

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
Approved Vendor Keyword Search
Keywords containing: RELIABLE
Opt Vendor Vendor Name Keyword
- 0115653 itransition RELIABLE MARKET ANALYSIS
- 0115697 AhelioTech RELIABLE SOLUTION
- 0116855 TPP Wholesale RELIABLE CLOUD TECHNOLOGY
- 0116855 TPP Wholesale RELIABLE HOSTING PLATFORM
```

# The AVLIST Table



This is what the "AVLIST" (approved vendor list) table (PF) looks like (excerpt)

VNUM	VNAME	VURL
115671	Catapult	<a href="http://www.catapultsystems.com/?utm_campaign=Generic&amp;utm_sc">http://www.catapultsystems.com/?utm_campaign=Generic&amp;utm_sc</a>
115673	KSM Consulting	<a href="https://www.ksmconsulting.com/">https://www.ksmconsulting.com/</a>
115675	Moser Consulting	<a href="https://www.moserit.com/">https://www.moserit.com/</a>
115677	Aurora IT Consulting	<a href="http://auroraitconsulting.com/">http://auroraitconsulting.com/</a>
115679	Perficient	<a href="http://www.perficient.com/">http://www.perficient.com/</a>
115681	TCS Network Consulting Inc	<a href="http://www.tcsconsulting.net/">http://www.tcsconsulting.net/</a>
115683	Irvine Technology Corporation	<a href="http://www.irvinetechcorp.com/">http://www.irvinetechcorp.com/</a>
115685	eGuard Technology Services	<a href="https://www.eguardtech.com/">https://www.eguardtech.com/</a>
115687	Dataprise	<a href="https://www.dataprise.com/">https://www.dataprise.com/</a>
115691	TeamLogic IT	<a href="http://www.teamlogicitwportlandor.com/">http://www.teamlogicitwportlandor.com/</a>
115693	Procomp Group	<a href="http://www.procompgroup.com/">http://www.procompgroup.com/</a>
115697	AhelioTech	<a href="https://www.aheliotech.com/">https://www.aheliotech.com/</a>
116781	EnterCloud	<a href="https://www.entercloudsuite.com/en/">https://www.entercloudsuite.com/en/</a>
116855	TPP Wholesale	<a href="https://www.tppwholesale.com.au/cloud-reseller-hosting/">https://www.tppwholesale.com.au/cloud-reseller-hosting/</a>
116867	VOIP Routes	<a href="http://www.voiproutes.com/">http://www.voiproutes.com/</a>
116947	Press8	<a href="https://www.press8.com/why-press-8/">https://www.press8.com/why-press-8/</a>
116989	Ring Central	<a href="https://www.ringcentral.com/office/features/voip/overview.html">https://www.ringcentral.com/office/features/voip/overview.html</a>

## Natural Language Understanding (1 of 5)



This is the main loop that controls the program to analyze the vendor's sites:

```
exec SQL declare C1 cursor for
  select * from AVLIST;

exec SQL open C1;

exec SQL fetch next from C1 into :AVLIST;
dow sqlstt='00000';

  request = createJsonRequest(AVLIST);

  monitor;
  response = http_string('POST': url: request: 'application/json');
  on-error;
  response = '';
  endmon;

  extractKeywords(AVLIST.VNUM: response);

  exec SQL fetch next from C1 into :AVLIST;
enddo;

exec SQL close C1;
```

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## Natural Language Understanding (2 of 5)



Create the JSON document that is sent to Watson to tell it what to do.

```
dcl-proc createJsonRequest;

  dcl-pi *N varchar(1000);
  VEND likeds(AVLIST) const;
  end-pi;

  dcl-s json varchar(1000);

  yajl_genOpen(*off);
  yajl_beginObj();
  yajl_addChar('url': %trim(VEND.VURL)); // {
  yajl_beginObj('features'); // "url": "http://example.com",
  yajl_beginObj('keywords'); // "features" : {
  yajl_endObj(); // "keywords": {
  yajl_endObj(); // }
  yajl_endObj(); // }
  yajl_endObj(); //

  json = yajl_copyBufStr();
  yajl_genClose();

  return json;
end-proc;
```

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## Natural Language Understanding (3 of 5)



The "extractKeywords" subprocedure interprets the JSON document that Watson sent back, gets the keywords that it found, and writes those keywords to a second table named AVKEYWORDS.

This AVKEYWORDS table (PF) can then be searched by the user.

```
dcl-proc extractKeywords;

  dcl-pi *N;
    vnum packed(7: 0) value;
    json varchar(100000) const;
  end-pi;

  dcl-s docNode like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s keywords like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s keyword like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s errMsg varchar(500);
  dcl-s text char(40);
  dcl-s relv packed(5: 3);
  dcl-s i int(10);
```

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## Natural Language Understanding (4 of 5)



```
docNode = yajl_string_load_tree(response: errMsg);
if errMsg = '';

  keywords = yajl_object_find(docNode: 'keywords');
  i = 0;

  dow YAJL_ARRAY_LOOP(keywords: i: keyword);

    text = yajl_get_string(yajl_object_find(keyword: 'text'));
    relv = yajl_get_number(yajl_object_find(keyword: 'relevance'));

    if relv > 0.35; ←
      exec SQL insert into AVKEYWORDS values(:vnum, UPPER(:text));
    endif;

  enddo;

  yajl_tree_free(docNode);
endif;
end-proc;
```

Only if Watson is  
35% sure of this  
keyword

```
{
  "keywords": [
    {
      "text": "first keyword",
      "relevance": 0.99321
    },
    {
      "text": "second keyword",
      "relevance": 0.32123
    }
  ]
}
```

## Natural Language Understanding (5 of 5)



A second program uses traditional RPG techniques (code not shown – it's just normal RPG) to search the AVKEYWORDS table that we just populated.

```
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
Approved Vendor Keyword Search
Keywords containing: RELIABLE_
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-- 0116855 TPP Wholesale RELIABLE HOSTING PLATFORM
Bottom
F3=Exit
MA A 03/031
```

## Visual Recognition API



Watson's Visual Recognition can "understand" the contents of photographs or video frames. It seeks to answer two questions:

- What is in this image?
- Are there other, similar, images?

There is setup involved. You must "train" Watson in how to recognize a given subject.

Once trained, however, it can recognize the same subject in any picture, even from different angles.

# Training the Visual Recognition Tool



Training involves:

- Upload .ZIP files with matching images.
- Upload .ZIP file(s) with "negative" matches (to teach Watson what not to consider a match)

There is a tool on IBM Cloud that you can use to train the API. (No need to write code to do that if you don't want to!)

JSON

Classes	Score
Chihuahua dog	0.94
small dog	0.96
dog	0.96
domestic animal	0.96

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# Insurance Claim Example (Background Info)



This example started with an old, green-screen, RPG program for entering insurance claims (such as car accidents)

```
Accident/Claim Detail                                change

Claim Number: 000001826
Description:  DRIVER RAN RED LIGHT                   Accident Location
Date:        9/01/17                                County:  MONTGOMERY
Time:        5:05:00                                Address: 552 CONGRESS PARK
Units Involved: 3
Injured:     2                                       City:    DAYTON
Hit and run?  (Y/N)                                State:   LA (?=Prompt)
Completed?   (Y/N)                                Zip:    45458
Accident Type: SIC (?=Prompt)

Estimates      Costs      Classification
Your Equipment: 1000.00    2000.00    Motorcycle involved? N (Y/N)
Other Equipment: 2800.00    2500.00    Flat tire?          N (Y/N)
Property:       1000.00     500.00     Broken windshield?  Y (Y/N)
Total:         4800.00    5100.00    Vandalism?          N (Y/N)
                                           Pedestrian involved? N (Y/N)

F3=Exit      F6=Damages  F7=Work Orders  F8=Injured  F9=Police
F10=Towing   F11=Notes   F12=Cancel      F14=Photos  F15=Documents
```

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## Insurance Claim Example (Background Info)



Years later (but still awhile back) this application was converted to a web-based GUI using Profound Logic's tools. RPG Open Access was used so the RPG code didn't have to change, though a small amount of code was added to allow picture uploads.

The screenshot shows a web application interface for an insurance claim. The title bar reads "Accident/Claim Detail" with a "change" link. Below the title bar, the "Claim Number" is 000001826. A navigation menu includes "Main", "Damages", "Work Orders", "Injured", "Police", "Towing", "Notes", "Photos", and "Documents". The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Accident Info:** Description: DRIVER RAN RED LIGHT; Date: 09/01/17; Time: 5:06:00; Units Involved: 3; Injured: 2; Hit and run? ; Completed? ; Accident Type: Side-impact.
- Location:** County: MONTGOMERY; Address: 562 CONGRESS PARK; City: DAYTON; State: Louisiana; Zip: 45458.
- Estimates & Costs:** Your Equipment: 1000.00 / 2000.00; Other Equipment: 2000.00 / 2600.00; Property: 1000.00 / 500.00; Total: 4000.00 / 5100.00.
- Classification:** Motorcycle involved? ; Flat tire? ; Broken windshield? ; Vandalism? ; Pedestrian involved? .
- Photo:** A "Drop files here" area and a thumbnail image of a car windshield.

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## Insurance Claim Example (Background Info)



We decided to use Watson to help set the "Classification" of each claim.

- Trained Watson with images to recognize each classification category
- Now, when a user adds a new picture (or changes existing one)
- Watson figures out the right "classification" of the claim.



The screenshot shows the "Classification" section of the web application. The title is "Classification". Below the title, there are five checkboxes:

- Motorcycle involved?
- Flat tire?
- Broken windshield?
- Vandalism?
- Pedestrian involved?

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## What Watson Determines



We wrote a routine named `watson_classify` for our RPG program. It accepts the pathname to the photograph (in the IFS) and returns the following data structure:

```
D classify_t      ds              qualified
D                                     template
D code           10i 0 inz(1)
D errMsg         500a varying inz('')
D class          256a varying inz('')
D score          9p 7  inz(0)

D obj            ds              likeds(classify_t)
```

- `"code"` and `"errMsg"` are used to report an error (if any)
- `"class"` is the classification determined by Watson
- `"score"` is how confident (from 0=unlikely to 1=completely positive) Watson was

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## Incorporating Into Existing Code



The existing fixed format code was modified to call the Watson Visual Recognition "classify" API when the image was changed, and based on Watson's "first" choice (most likely classification) it sets the classification field to Y or N

```
C          If      UploadInfo = '001'
C          Eval    done = *Off

// -----
// New Code for recognizing image:
C          eval    obj = watson_classify(imagefile)
C          if      obj.score > 0.75
C
C          select
C          when    obj.class = 'motorcycleaccident'
C          eval    cmmotor = 'Y'
C          when    obj.class = 'brokenwinshield'
C          eval    cmbrokenw = 'Y'

...etc...
```

*If Watson wasn't 75% sure, we ignored it's classification (leaving it to the user)*

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## Visual Recognition RPG (1 of 6)



```
dcl-proc watson_classify;

  dcl-pi *n likeds(classify_t);
    imageName varchar(256) const;
  end-pi;

  dcl-c WATSON_API_KEY 'the api key from IBM Cloud is put here';

  dcl-s imagePath  varchar(256);
  dcl-s params     varchar(256);
  dcl-s form       pointer;
  dcl-s contentType char(64);
  dcl-s tempFile   varchar(256);
  dcl-s rc         int(10);
  dcl-s docNode    like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s topClass   like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s node       like(yajl_val);
  dcl-s response   varchar(100000);
  dcl-s errMsg     varchar(500);
  dcl-s url        varchar(500);

  dcl-ds result likeds(classify_t) inz;
```

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## Visual Recognition RPG (2 of 6)



```
http_debug(*on: '/tmp/watson-claim15r.txt');

imagePath = '/www/profoundui/htdocs/profoundui/userdata/'
            + 'images/claims/' + %trim(imageName);

// Create a JSON document containing the
// parameters to the "classify" API:

yajl_genOpen(*off);
yajl_beginObj();
yajl_beginArray('classifier_ids');
yajl_addChar('insuranceclaims_1650517727');
yajl_endArray();
yajl_endObj();
params = yajl_copyBufStr();
yajl_genClose();
```

The input JSON document is very simple – it just tells Watson which "classifier" to use (i.e. which set of data that we trained Watson with)

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## Visual Recognition RPG (3 of 6)



```
// Create a multipart/form-data form (like curl -F switch)
// to contain both the image and the parameters
// (this is created in a temporary IFS file)

tempFile = http_tempfile();
form = http_mfd_encoder_open( tempFile: contentType );
http_mfd_encoder_addstmf( form
                        : 'images_file'
                        : imagePath
                        : 'image/jpeg' );
http_mfd_encoder_addvar_s( form: 'parameters': params );
http_mfd_encoder_close(form);
```

The image is uploaded using a "multi part form", like a web browser would use.

- One part contains the input JSON document (from last slide)
- The other part contains the image.

HTTPAPI's multi-part form data (MFD) tool creates this form in a temporary IFS file. Although the images in the insurance claims are small, HTTPAPI has the capacity to handle multiple gigabytes of data, so keeping the form in memory isn't practical.

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## Visual Recognition RPG (4 of 6)



```
url = 'https://gateway-a.watsonplatform.net'
      + '/visual-recognition/api/v3/classify'
      + '?api_key=' + WATSON_API_KEY
      + '&version=2016-05-19';

rc = http_req( 'POST'
              : url
              : *omit: response
              : tempFile: *omit
              : %trim(contentType) );

// delete temporary file -- no longer needed.
unlink(tempFile);
```

Since the input is an IFS file, but I wanted the output to be returned as a string, I used the `http_req()` routine.

There are two parameters for "response data", for string and file, respectively. Also two for "send data", a string and a file.

One send option and one response option must be set to \*omit.

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# Response JSON Document



```
{
  "custom_classes":5,
  "images":[
    {
      "classifiers":[
        {
          "classes":[
            {
              "class":"brokenwinshield",
              "score":0.976408
            }
          ],
          "classifier_id":"insuranceclaims_1650517727",
          "name":"insurance-claims"
        }
      ],
      "image":"image path name here"
    }
  ],
  "images_processed":1
}
```

We only upload one image at a time, so there will never be more than one entry in the images array.

Only asked for one classifier (trained databased) so "classifiers" will only have one array entry.

Watson might see more than one class. But the "top pick" will be first.

**Conclusion:** We want the first array entry inside the first array entry of the first array entry!

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# Visual Recognition RPG (5 of 6)



```
docNode = yajl_string_load_tree( response: errMsg);
if errMsg <> '';
  result.errMsg = errMsg;
  result.code = -999;
  return result;
endif;

// Get first "images" array entry:
node = yajl_object_find(docNode: 'images');
node = yajl_array_elem(node: 1);

// Get first "classifiers" array entry:
node = yajl_object_find(node: 'classifiers');
if yajl_array_size(node) >= 1;

  node = yajl_array_elem(node: 1);

  // Get first "classes" array entry:
  node = yajl_object_find(node: 'classes');
  topClass = yajl_array_elem(node: 1);
```

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## Visual Recognition RPG (6 of 6)



```
// get the class name and score of the
// top class for our return value

node = yajl_object_find(topClass: 'class');
result.class = yajl_get_string(node);
node = yajl_object_find(topClass: 'score');
result.score = yajl_get_number(node);

endif;

yajl_tree_free(docNode);

return result;
end-proc;
```

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## Conclusion



This presentation barely scratches the surface of what Watson can do!

- Cognitive Computing
- A computer that can "think"!
- Understand human language better than ever before
- Understand human photographs better than ever before
- Can search and understand massive volumes of (unstructured) documents and pictures and discover trends, patterns, etc.
- Best of all, anyone can use it – from RPG on IBM i!
- It's just a web service (API) call!

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# *This Presentation*



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# Thank you!